

Sinclair
Broadcasting's
decision to force
their stations to
air an anti-Kerry
documentary days
before the election
is a clear example
of the dangers of
media consolidation.

The Founding Fathers
thought that a free
and independent
press was crucial to
the success of the
American Republic.
Because they play
such a crucial role,
media are given use
of the public
airwaves free of
charge; in exchange,
they are obligated
by law to serve the
public interest.
Abuse of this public
trust is a grave
disservice to our
Nation.

Sinclair's actions
show why we need to
strengthen media
ownership rules, not
weaken them. They
show why the license
renewal process
needs to involve
more than a returned
postcard. Thank you.